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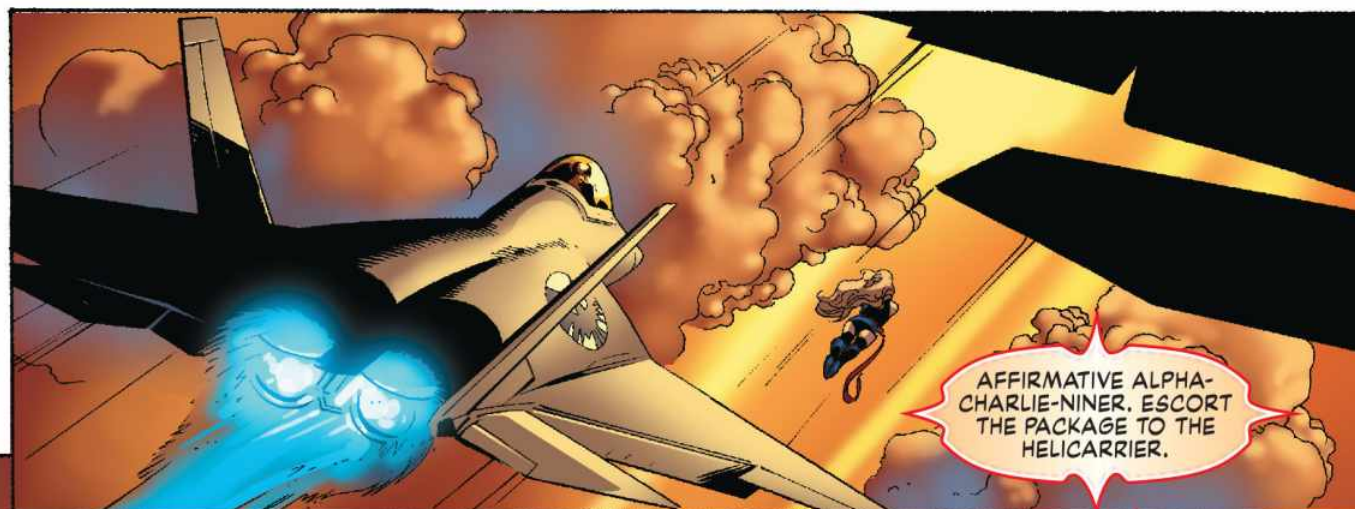
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SERIES

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CAPTAIN MARVEL



REED
WEEKS
DELPDANG





EVERYTHING
READY?

YES, SIR.

HOOK
HER UP.



AND WE'RE SURE THESE
WILL WORK?

I WASN'T SURE
HITTING THESE NEGA-BANDS
AGAINST *HIS* WOULD WORK.
BUT YOU GO WITH WHAT
YOU'VE GOT.



HRRNNNN...

NO USE, TONY.
WITH THE POWER DRAINER
CUFFS ON, I'M NOT GOING
ANYWHERE.



CAROL, WHEN YOU SWITCH PLACES
WITH MAR-VELL--

I CAN'T
BELIEVE I'M
GOING TO THE
NEGATIVE
ZONE.

I CAN'T
BELIEVE I SENT
CAPTAIN MARVEL
TO THE NEGATIVE
ZONE.



CAPTAIN
MARVEL
PREDICTED TO
RETURN IN TEN
SECONDS.

IT'S
SHOW-
TIME.

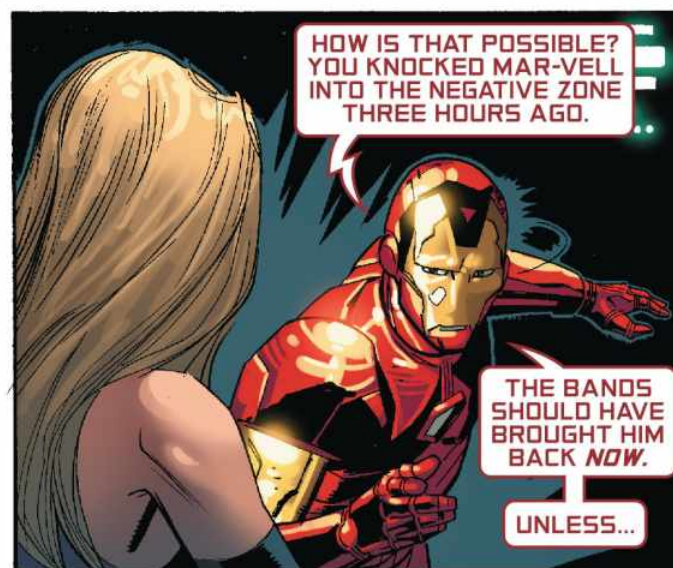


SHOWTIME.
RIGHT.

NEGATIVE
ZONE SWAP
COMMENCING
IN THREE...

TWO...

ONE...



Mar-Vell of the Kree — an alien soldier treated as a traitor by his own people — became the hero known on Earth as...

CAPTAIN MARVEL

After a long and storied career, Mar-Vell contracted cancer and died in his bed several years ago.

At least that's how history was supposed to play out...

After an accident in the Negative Zone, a portal in time opened, drawing Captain Marvel from the past — before his death — and depositing him in the present.

Fully aware of his impending death — and with no way to return to his own point in time — Mar-Vell went to New York to see if Iron Man could help him find his way home. What Mar-Vell found instead was the attention of the entire planet.

A cult calling itself “The Church of Hala,” led by the mysterious Mother Starr, worships Mar-Vell as a messiah returned from the dead. Soon Mar-Vell discovered that his own story might be a lie. In fact, Mar-Vell might not be Mar-Vell at all. He might well be a Skrull...

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I STEP THROUGH
THE PORTAL FROM
THE NEGATIVE ZONE...

...AND IN THAT INSTANT,
MYSTERIES ARE **SOLVED**.

ANSWERS **DESIRED**
ARE **GIVEN**.

I REMEMBER...
EVERYTHING.

BUT THOSE ANSWERS...

...ARE **NOT** THE ONES
I WAS LOOKING FOR.

I GET NO TRIP BACK
THROUGH TIME TO
WHERE I LEFT.

I GET NO JUSTIFICATION
FOR MY JOURNEY TO THE
FUTURE AFTER MY DEATH.

I GET ONLY THE COLD,
TERRIBLE TRUTH.

"WHAT ARE
YOU DOING?"

"PICKING A
TRIGGER
IMAGE."

"NO, YOU'RE JUST
LOOKING AT UGLY
HUMAN PICTURES
AGAIN. SELECT ONE
AND BE DONE."

"DO NOT RUSH ME."

"WE HAVE COME THIS
FAR, THERE IS NO
REASON TO RUSH NOW."

"I WISH TO SEE MY
MATE BEFORE SHE
FORGETS WHAT I
LOOK LIKE!"

SEVERAL WEEKS AGO...

THERE.
THAT ONE IS
FINE. USE THAT
ONE.

I WILL
INITIALIZE THE FINAL
PHASE OF THE MEMORY
INDUCTION AND WE
CAN BE DONE.

I DO NOT KNOW WHY YOU RUSH
SO. YOUR MATE IS PART OF THE
BIOLOGICAL ENCODING TEAM THAT
LOCKED KHN'NR INTO THE SHAPE
OF MAR-VELL.

SHE UNDERSTANDS
THE WORK HOURS YOUR JOB
DEMANDS.

WE ARE TRYING
TO BREED, IF YOU MUST
KNOW. AND TODAY IS THE
PROPER DAY FOR--

ENOUGH,
PLEASE.

I WISH
NOT TO HEAR YOUR
PRIVATE--

UNNNGH...

AGAIN KHN'NR
AWAKENS?!

SO MANY
CHEMICALS IN HIS
SYSTEM AND YET HE
REFUSES TO STAY
UNDER!





THE NEGATIVE ZONE. NOW.

THE STENCH OF DEAD SKRULLS FILLS THE AIR.

PART OF ME REVELS IN THE SMELL.

ENEMIES DEFEATED.

TRIUMPH GAINED.

THERE IS ANOTHER PART THAT FEELS SADNESS FOR FALLEN BRETHREN.

I IGNORE THAT SADNESS. IT IS NOT WHO I AM.

I AM NO LONGER OF THESE PEOPLE. NOT SINCE THEIR MEMORY IMPLANT WENT AWRY.

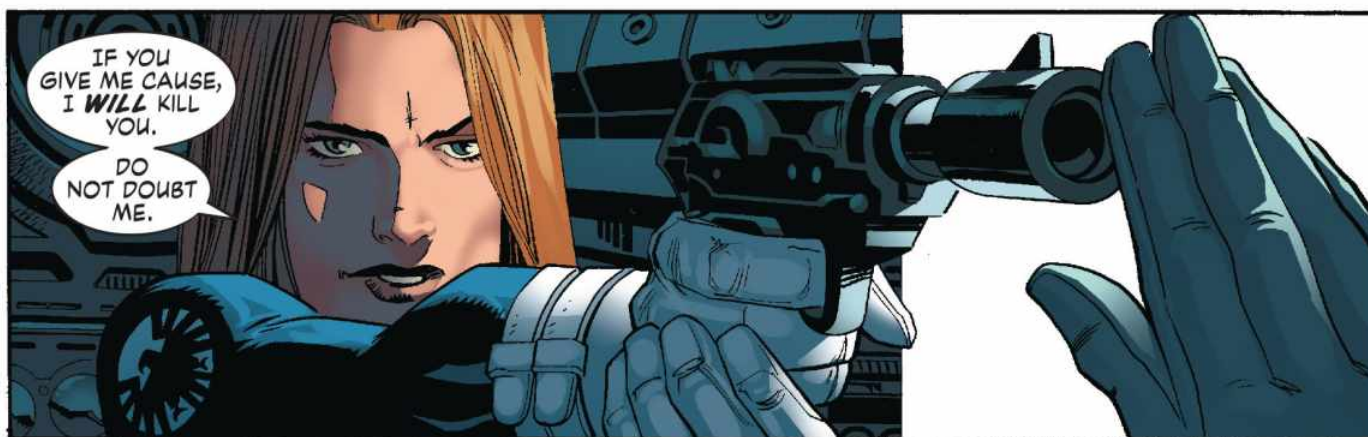
THE SKRULL I WAS CEASED TO EXIST.

IN AN INSTANT I BECAME --

MAR-VELL. I DO NOT WANT TO CAUSE A SCENE.

I DO NOT WANT TO DO ANYTHING BUT TALK.

CAN WE TALK?





HOW DID YOU GET TO THIS PLACE? I DID NOT EVEN KNOW OF ITS EXISTENCE.

YOUR CHURCH.

IT IS NOT MY--

THERE ARE SKRULLS OPERATING WITHIN THE CHURCH OF HALA.



"I FOUND ONE OF THEM DEAD, AND ON HIS BODY I FOUND RECORDS.



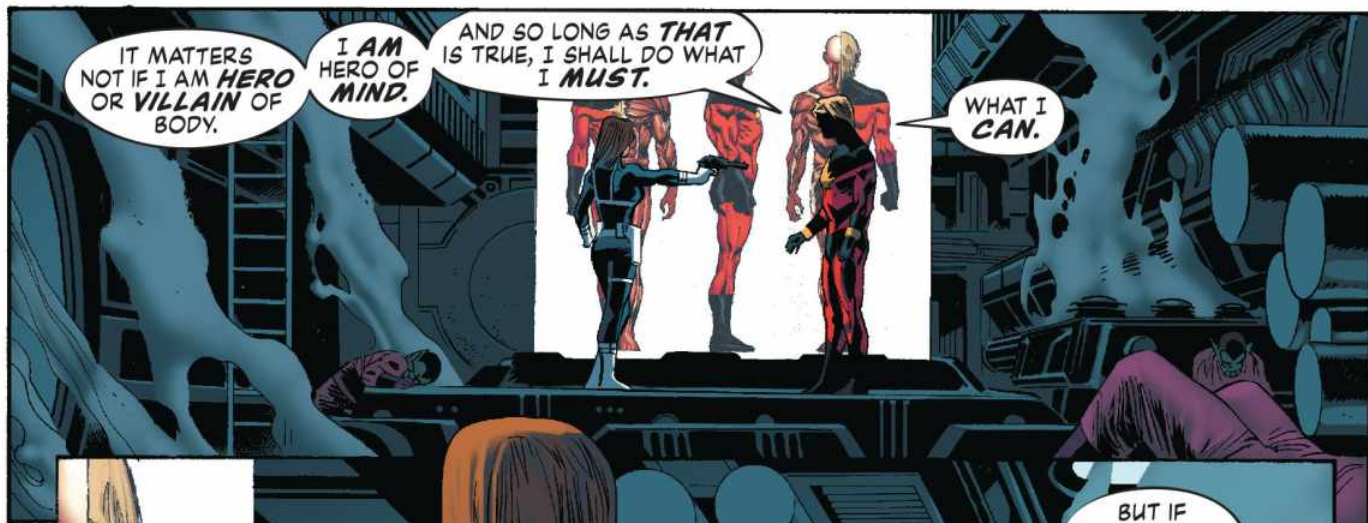
"RECORDS OF A HANDFUL OF SURVIVORS HUNTING FOR YOU, TRYING TO BRING YOU IN."



YOU ARE **NOT** CAPTAIN MARVEL!

YOU ARE A **LIAR** AND A **SKRULL**!





IT MATTERS
NOT IF I AM **HERO**
OR **VILLAIN** OF
BODY.

I **AM**
HERO OF
MIND.

AND SO LONG AS **THAT**
IS TRUE, I SHALL DO WHAT
I **MUST.**

WHAT I
CAN.



BUT IF
YOU WANT TO
END THIS
NOW...

...YOU CAN EASILY
DESTROY ME AND
WHAT **POTENTIAL**
I HOLD...



...YOU CAN, IF
YOU SO **DESIRE**,
KILL ME WHERE I
STAND, AGENT
SANTE.

RID THE
WORLD OF MY
THREAT.

OR YOU CAN
HELP ME, AGENT
SANTE...

YOU CAN
STAND TALL BESIDE
ME AND HELP ME MAKE
THIS WORLD A BETTER
PLACE.



HELP
ME, AGENT
SANTE.

HELP
ME MAKE THIS
HAPPEN.



"HE WAS RIGHT.
YOU KNOW THAT,
DON'T YOU?"

"I'M NOT HAVING
THAT DISCUSSION."

NEW YORK CITY.

YOU OF ALL
PEOPLE--

"I'M NOT HAVING
THAT DISCUSSION."

WE'RE
SUPPOSED TO
BE **HEROES**,
TONY.



WE'RE SUPPOSED
TO BE STOPPING
BAD THINGS FROM
HAPPENING.

WHY DO
WE FOCUS
ON GUYS IN
SILLY COSTUMES
AND NOT PEOPLE
WHO ARE CAUS-
ING REAL
HARM?



YOU FEEL QUALIFIED TO
PLAY AT NATION-BUILDING?

DETERMINING WHO IS
ALLOWED TO RULE WHERE
AND FOR HOW LONG?

IF IT
WAS DOCTOR
DOOM--

DOCTOR
DOOM IS A
DIFFERENT
DISCUSSION
THAN THE
ONE MAR-VELL
WAS HAVING.



MAR-VELL
WAS RIGHT.

WE
HAVE THE
POWER, AND
WE'RE NOT
USING
IT.





AND A LOT OF
FOLKS...THE **GOVERNMENTS**
I'M TALKING ABOUT HERE...THEY
DIDN'T LIKE THAT.

BUT THE MAN
ON THE STREET? TO A
ONE, HE LIKED WHAT HE
HEARD.

SOMEBODY WAS
GOING TO STAND UP AND
DO SOMETHING ABOUT THESE
MESSSES THAT NEVER
CEASE.

**TWO MONTHS
LATER...**



BAGHDAD, IRAQ.

"AND FOR TWENTY-FOUR
HOURS, THAT HAPPENED.

"FOR TWENTY-FOUR HOURS,
BY ALL ACCOUNTS, NOT A
SINGLE SHOT WAS FIRED.



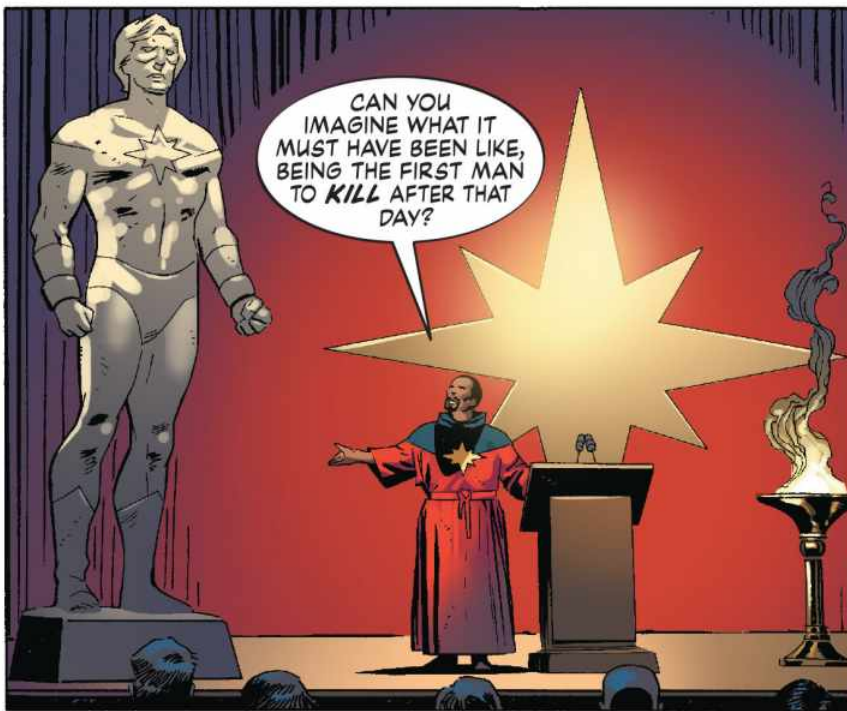
GHARB, DARFUR.

"NOT A BOMB
EXPLODED.



**MOGADISHU,
SOMALIA.**

"THERE WAS
PEACE ON
EARTH."



CAN YOU
IMAGINE WHAT IT
MUST HAVE BEEN LIKE,
BEING THE FIRST MAN
TO **KILL** AFTER THAT
DAY?



TO REACH OUT AND TAKE
THE LIFE OF ANOTHER, KNOWING
FULL WELL AN ANGRY GOD WAS
ABOUT TO SWEEP OUT OF THE
HEAVENS AND SMITE YOU?



CAPTAIN
MARVEL SAVED MY
LIFE. IT DOESN'T MATTER
IF YOU BELIEVE ME OR NOT.
NATHAN JEFFERSON WAS
LOST, AND MAR-VELL SHOWED
ME THE WAY.



I WAS A CRIMINAL
AND MOTHER STARR BOUGHT
MY FREEDOM. I WAS A PAIN IN
HER SIDE FOR YEARS, AND YET
SHE FORGAVE ME. SHE REPAID
MONEY I STOLE, AND TOOK
ME TO HER SIDE.

I WAS
LOST AND
CAPTAIN MARVEL
SHOWED ME THE WAY.
SHOWED ME MY LIFE
WAS EMPTY AND
DEVOID OF
PURPOSE.

AND NOW
THEY ARE BOTH
GONE. SHE DIED
BESIDE CAPTAIN
MARVEL. AND
HE...

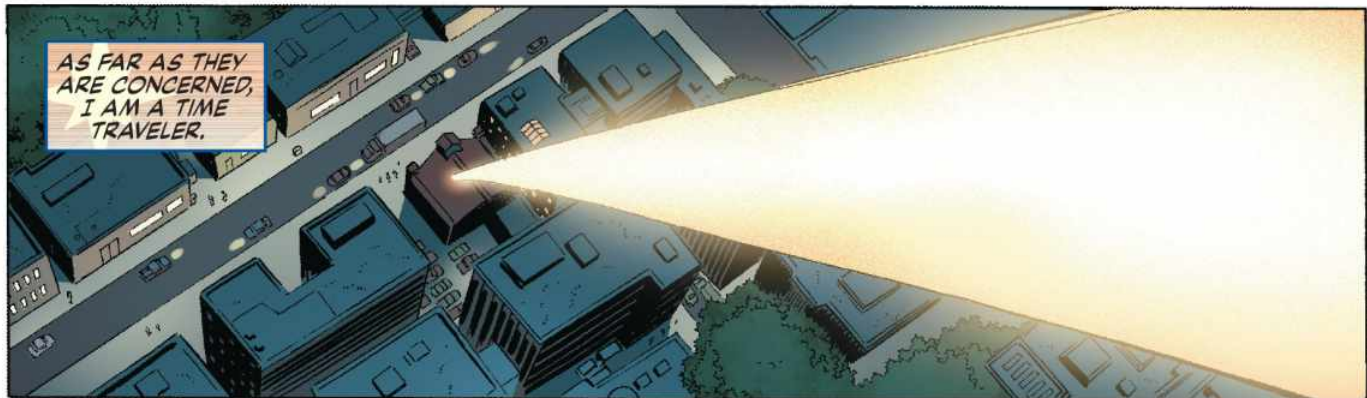
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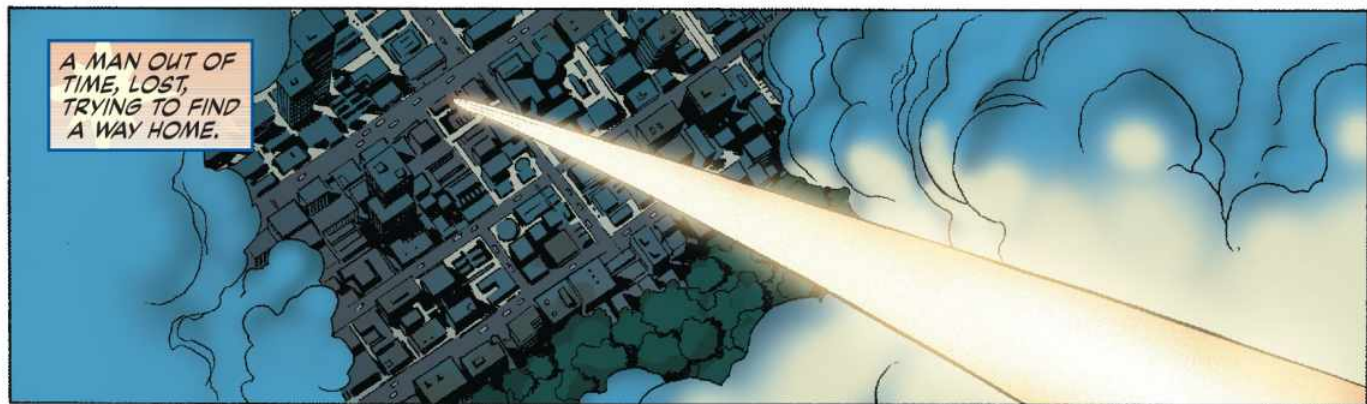
TONY STARK
WAS ON TV LAST
NIGHT. MAYBE YOU
SAW IT?

HE TOLD EVERYONE
THAT CAPTAIN MARVEL WAS
NEVER BACK FROM THE DEAD,
HE WAS A TIME TRAVELER,
VISITING US FROM THE
PAST





AS FAR AS THEY
ARE CONCERNED,
I AM A TIME
TRAVELER.



A MAN OUT OF
TIME, LOST,
TRYING TO FIND
A WAY HOME.



MY JOURNEY, ONE
THAT MOST OF
THEM COULD
NEVER IMAGINE.

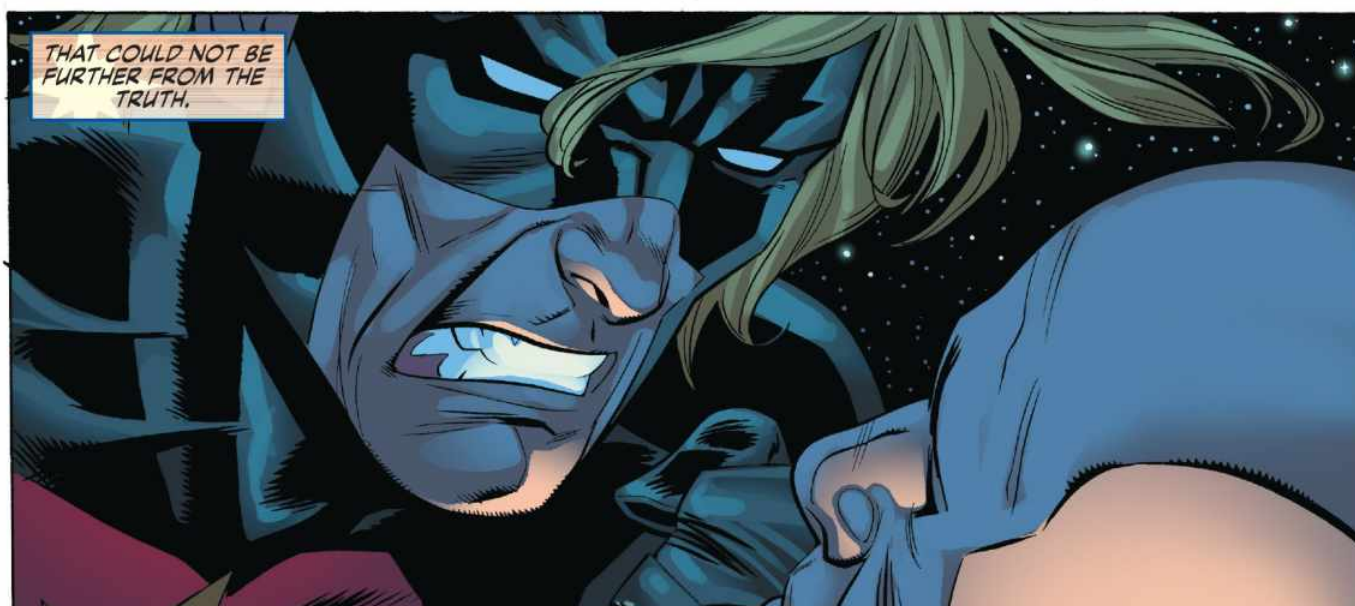


THE TRUTH OF MY
APPEARING AMONG
THEM NEVER
SUSPECTED...



AS FAR AS THEY KNOW,
I, THE TIME TRAVELER,
HAVE GONE HOME.

HAVE LEFT THEM
TO THEIR LIVES,
NEVER TO BE THERE
FOR THEM AGAIN.



THAT COULD NOT BE
FURTHER FROM THE
TRUTH.



THERE IS A WAR COMING.



AND WITH IT, MANY
DARK TIMES.



CAPTAIN MARVEL WOULD
NOT LEAVE HIS ADOPTED
WORLD IN ITS TIME OF
NEED.



CAPTAIN MARVEL
WOULD PROTECT
IT AT ALL COSTS.

NO MATTER WHAT MY
BODY ONCE WAS...

I AM THE SWORN
PROTECTOR OF
THIS WORLD AND
HER PEOPLE.

I WILL STAND BETWEEN
THE COMING ATTACK
AND THE INNOCENTS
WHO CANNOT FIGHT
FOR THEMSELVES.

I WILL PROTECT THIS
WORLD THROUGH THE
COMING DARKNESS.

FOR I AM MAR-VELL
OF THE KREE.

I AM...

CAPTAIN MARVEL

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